Case 1:07-cv-00017 Document 29 Filed 09/13/2007 Page 1 of 2 District Court SEP 13 2007 For The Northern Mariana Islands (Deputy Clerk) IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS QIAN XIAOLI, Case No. CV-07-0017 Plaintiff. ORDER FOLLOWING STATUS / SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE VS. GRACE INTERNATIONAL, INC., Defendant. This matter came before the court on September 13, 2007, during the status / settlement conference, which was ordered by the court on August 16, 2007. See Order Granting Counsel's Motion to Withdraw and Setting Status / Settlement Conference, No. 24 (Aug. 16, 2007). Attorney Joseph E. Horey appeared on behalf of the plaintiff; the defendant failed to appear. For failure to appear at a court order status / settlement conference, the court SANCTIONS September 21, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. It is further **ORDERED** that the status / settlement conference shall be continued to

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the defendant in the amount of \$65 for one-half hour of the plaintiff's attorney time billed at \$130 per hour. The defendant shall pay the sanction directly to the plaintiff's attorney no later than

September 21, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. The defendant's party representative with full authority to participate in settlement negotiations and to effect a complete compromise of the case is hereby **COMPELLED** to personally attend the settlement conference. Telephonic attendance will not be allowed. Failure to abide by this order may result in sanctions, including the striking of the answer and a default entered. Since a corporation may only appear in federal court through licensed counsel, Rowland v. California Men's Colony, 506 U.S. 203, 201-02 (1993), Grace International is strongly urged to retain new counsel as they may not appear in court without counsel.

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The plaintiff's attorney is hereby **ORDERED** to notify the defendant's representative on Saipan of the status /settlement conference and the court's order to compel.

It is further **ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court send a copy of this order to the defendant's last known address at: Grace International Inc., PMB 888, Box 10001, Saipan, MP 96950.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 13th day of September, 2007.

ALEX R. MUNSON
U.S. District Court Chief Judge